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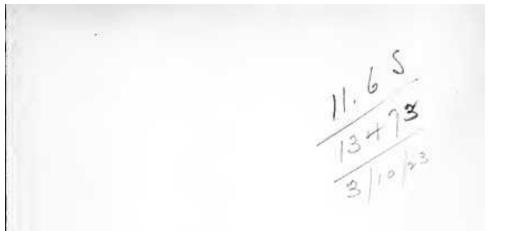
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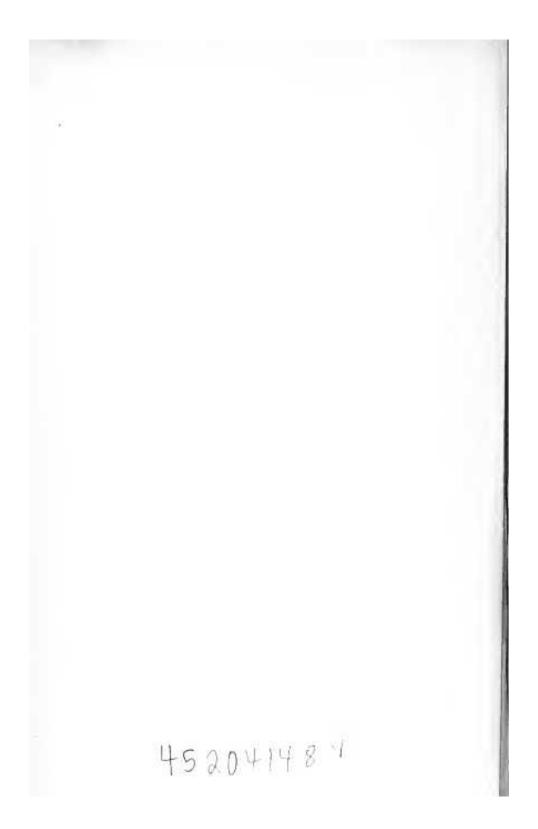
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PREFACE.

THE success which has attended the publication of the "RECORDS OF THE PAST," and the favour with which they have been received by the European students and enquirers, has led to their continuation as far as the present volume. Containing, as they do, the translations of the most important historical texts, they afford to the general enquirer access to most of the sources from which he may derive contemporaneous information. The student finds them invaluable for the purposes of reference and comparison, when sufficiently advanced to essay the depths of this archaic literature without being buoyed up by original documents transliterated and translated. The fact that nearly all the principal Assyriologists and Egyptologists have contributed to their pages is sufficient to demonstrate that the "RECORDS" have been regarded as an international enterprize, and available for all the purposes proposed wherever the English language is read or understood, which comprises at least a hundred millions possible readers. The present volume will be found to be very rich in the translations of mythological texts, a branch of enquiry which begins to attract more attention as the mine of historical documents becomes exhausted. The mythologies of Assyria and Egypt are particularly